#### § 248.4 Time for filing reports.

The report required by this part shall be filed with the Office of Airline Information within 15 days after the due date of the appropriate periodic BTS Form 41 Report, filed for the 12-month period covered by the audit report, or the date the accountant submits its audit report to the air carrier, whichever is later.

[ER-1351, 48 FR 32756, July 19, 1983, as amended at 60 FR 66725, Dec. 26, 1995]

# § 248.5 Withholding from public disclosure.

The special reports required to be filed by §248.2 shall be withheld from public disclosure, until further order of the BTS, if such treatment is requested by the air carrier at the time of filing.

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# PART 249—PRESERVATION OF AIR CARRIER RECORDS

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 329 and chapters 401, 411, 413, 417.

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NOTE: The recordkeeping requirements contained in this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2138–0006.

# Subpart A—General Instructions

#### §249.1 Applicability.

Subparts A and B of this part apply to:

- (a) Air carriers, as defined in 49 U.S.C. 40102, that hold either certificates of public convenience and necessity or certificates for all-cargo air service.
- (b) Public charter operators, as defined in part 380 of this chapter.
- (c) Overseas military personnel charter operators, as defined in part 372 of this chapter.

[ER-1214, 46 FR 25415, May 6, 1981, as amended at 60 FR 66725, Dec. 26, 1995]

#### § 249.2 Definitions.

For the purposes of this part:

Authorized representatives of the DOT means any persons, including special agents and auditors, designated by the DOT to perform inspections, audits, or examinations within the purview of the DOT's authority.

Certificated air carrier means the holder of a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the Department of Transportation under 49 U.S.C. 41102 or a certificate for all-cargo air service issued by the Department of Transportation under 49 U.S.C. 41103.

Final adjudication means the expiration date of the last possible period of review or reconsideration of a given case, by the DOT or by a court, that is provided by applicable statute or regulation.

Open mail rate period means the time interval between the date of institution of a new mail rate proceeding or the start of service over a new route for which no mail rate has previously been fixed, and the date upon which a DOT order setting the final mail rate becomes legally effective.

Pending case means any case that the DOT is empowered to hear before its final adjudication.

*Records* include all documents that are related to, or constitute integral links in developing the history of, or facts regarding, financial transactions